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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed July 13, 2005, concerning U.S. Application No. 10/681,878. The paper is timely because it is filed within the extended shortened statutory period and with the required \$1,020.00 fee.

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